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09 May 1983

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Dear Mr. Bryne:

Thank you for your letter of May 3, 1983, clarifying the trade-offs between alternative C and D for proposed improvements to the CIA interchange acceleration lane to the George Washington Memorial Parkway, McLean, Virginia. This Agency does not have the expertise to evaluate the traffic engineering differences between these alternatives. We defer to your broader experience in this field and will support whichever alternative you recommend.

Sincerely,

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Chief
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Dear Mr. McGraw:

Thank you for your letter of April 1, 1983, concerning proposed improvements to the CIA interchange acceleration lane to George Washington Memorial Parkway, McLean, Virginia.

We agree with you that only Alternatives C and D of the Federal Highway Administration study offer satisfactory improvements to serve future traffic needs at this location.

It is our opinion that any changes made in the parkway, such as this proposal, match the geometry and appearance of the parkway as a whole. We reach this opinion for two basic reasons.

First, any horizontal or vertical curve changes should meet generally accepted highway standards. Motorists driving from the original roadway onto the changed portions should not be "surprised" by being required to negotiate a taper addition while all other horizontal direction changes are done through standard highway curves.

Second, we are very concerned that the improvement not look like an addition that would detract from the overall appearance of the parkway or otherwise detract from an enjoyable driving experience by the public.

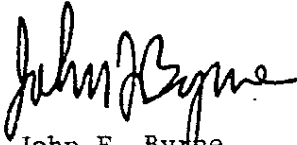
We also are concerned about the prudent expenditure of public tax dollars. And while Alternative D would be more expensive than Alternative C, we feel that the resultant deficiencies of Alternative C would unreasonably detract from the excellent engineering attributes that presently exist and that would be maintained by Alternative D, thereby impairing the value of the larger investment in the entire parkway.

Funding of this improvement may wholly depend on your interest and support. Therefore, your opinions and conclusions are important in the decision process.

I enjoy working with you in matters such as this one that are of mutual interest to your agency and the George Washington Memorial Parkway.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John F. Byrne".

John F. Byrne
Superintendent